

YOUNG PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR AWARD FINALISTS

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Seth Cutter is vice president of public affairs for the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG), the 6th largest cargo airport in North America and the 2022 Best Airport in North America for Staff Service, according to London-based Skytrax. In this role, Seth develops and executes CVG's local, state, and federal policy priorities. He and airport leadership remain focused on advocacy related to transportation and infrastructure funding that will grow the airport's \$9.3 billion annual economic impact to the community. He also coordinates the activities of the Kentucky SAF Coalition, which is an industry partnership focused on developing an aviation biofuels ecosystem in the mid-South and Midwest. Seth represents CVG to local stakeholders and leads the team responsible for airport public relations, communications, marketing, and community affairs. Seth joined CVG in 2017, previously having worked in the Campbell County, Kentucky, Judge/Executive's office. He remains active in the community, serving on a variety of committees and working groups for the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, BE NKY, Northern Kentucky Area Development District, Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, and the Ohio Aviation Association. He is a member of the 2021 Cincinnati "40 Under 40" Class and is on the board of KBT, Kentuckians for Better Transportation. He previously served on the board of Foreign Trade Zones 46 and 47 in Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky. Seth completed undergraduate studies at American University in Washington, DC, and earned an MPA from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Why Should This Nominee Be Recognized as Kentucky's Young Professional of the Year?

While young in chronology, Seth's career accomplishments far outweigh those who are twice his age. Seth exemplifies the very best in business, social and community engagement. He gives me, and all whom he interacts, great hope for the future of Kentucky. Seth is an energetic, thoughtful, and respected leader within CVG, our community, and throughout the Commonwealth. He is collaborative community cheerleader and a champion of Kentucky business that works tirelessly for the region. His entire career has been focused on responsibilities and work that serve the public good and advance our region, particularly in the areas of transportation and economic development. He initiates projects that drive our region to greater economic prosperity. More importantly, he delivers results, whether driving our increase in economic impact at CVG, advocating for the advancement of aviation biofuels, or serving as the community voice for airports in North America. He has also engaged on a volunteer basis, to aid Ukrainian refugees, staff a Northern Kentucky report on homelessness, and lead a report on housing needs. On a personal note, he serves as music director at his church. He is my go-to person internally within CVG and he is also a respected and recognized leader within the government and community affairs personnel in the Commonwealth and airport industry. He has boundless energy which he uses to better our community in all ways.